## JUN 1 3 2005 %

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: MORIN ET AL.

Serial No. 10/701,165

) Examiner: S. GEBREMARIAM

Confirmation No. 5541

) Art Unit: **2811** 

Filing Date: November 4, 2003

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH MOS )
TRANSISTORS WITH AN ETCH-STOP LAYER)
HAVING AN IMPROVED RESIDUAL STRESS )
LEVEL AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING )
SUCH A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

AMENDMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of February 10, 2005, please enter the remarks set out below.

Case No. 02GR09854488

## MS AMENDMENT **COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS** P.O. BOX 1450 **ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450**



In re Application of:

MORIN ET AL.

Serial No.:

10/701,165

Confirmation No.:

5541

Filed:

November 4, 2003

For:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH MOS TRANSISTORS WITH AN ETCH-STOP LAYER HAVING AN IMPROVED RESIDUAL STRESS

LEVEL AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING SUCH A

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant qualifies as a small entity under 37 CFR § 1.27. []

[X] No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

FOR:	(Col. 1)  CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3)  PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
				RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS		20		X25	\$	X50	\$
INDEPT CLAIMS	·	3		X100	\$	X200	\$
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		TOTAL ADD'L FEE	\$

If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For: IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space. The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed.

- Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$\_\_\_. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit any discrepancies in fee amounts to Deposit Account No. 01-0484. []
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit any discrepancies in fee amounts to Deposit Account No. 01-0484. [X]
- PLEASE ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO ATTORNEY OF RECORD: CHRISTOPHER F. [X]
- Please associate this application with Customer No. 27975. [X]

<u>June 10, 2005</u> DATE

REG. NO. 43,182